

2014 FOOD SAFETY AND WATER QUALITY CO-MANAGEMENT FORUM

Hosted by the Farm Food Safety and Conservation Network

August 20, 2014

UCCE Auditorium

1432 Abbott Street, Salinas

AUDIENCE: Diverse professionals familiar with co-management concepts. Conservation and food safety professionals, auditors, agencies, environmental groups, researchers, agricultural industry, farmers, ranchers, elected officials, health professionals, buyers, etc.

GOALS:

- Present the latest on existing and pending regulations that affect co-management.
- Present practical strategies to manage agricultural production for food safety and sustainability outcomes.
- Provide networking and collaborative problem-solving opportunities between diverse groups.

REGISTRATION 7:45

INTRODUCTIONS & PREVIEW QUESTIONS 8:30-8:45

Panel 1 – BALANCING WATER RESOURCES AND FOOD SAFETY IN A DROUGHT : 8:45-10:15

Moderator: Johnny Gonzalez, State Water Resources Control Board

WATER RESOURCES UPDATE

Monterey County Water Resources Agency

Monterey Co Water Pollution Control Agency – CSIP

San Benito County Water District

WATER QUALITY UPDATE

State Water Resources Control Board

FOOD SAFETY MODERNIZATION ACT UPDATE

Food & Drug Administration

BREAK 10:15-10:30

Panel 2- CO-MANAGING FOR FOOD SAFETY AND THE ENVIRONMENT 10:30-11:50

Moderator: Michael Brautovich, EarthBound Farm

CASE STUDY INTRODUCTION: Karen Lowell & Michael Brautovich

Co-management in and around riparian areas and watersheds.

GROWER PANEL: ACHIEVING CO-MANAGEMENT IN A PRODUCTION ENVIRONMENT

FOLLOW-UP Questions 11:50-12:00

Lunch: 12:00 – 12:45

PREPARATION FOR FIELD TOUR & CO-MANAGEMENT TERMS: 12:45-1:15

FIELD VISIT: 1:30 – 4:00 pm

Explore farming and conservation efforts at a diversified organic operation, with small group discussions with participants on design and management strategies that meet production and conservation goals.